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House of Representatives, March 2, 2017

An Act To Ensure Municipal Equity for the Town of Frye Island

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative AUSTIN of Gray.
Cosponsored by Representatives: FARRIN of Norridgewock, HARVELL of Farmington,
O'CONNOR of Berwick, PIERCE of Dresden, SANDERSON of Chelsea, SIMMONS of
Waldoboro, SIROCKI of Scarborough, WARD of Dedham.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. P&SL 1997, c. 41, Pt. A, §8,** as amended by P&SL 2001, c. 8, §1, is
3 further amended to read:

4 **Sec. A-8. Educational needs.** If the Town of Frye Island is incorporated and
5 separated from the Town of Standish, it remains in the School Administrative District 6
6 or its successor and pays its proportional share of costs, unless or until such time as it
7 withdraws from the school administrative district in accordance with applicable state law
8 and joins another school administrative unit within 2 years of withdrawing from School
9 Administrative District 6. School transportation services must be provided as follows:
10 The Town of Frye Island is authorized to require each resident with a child or children
11 enrolled in School Administrative District 6 to provide transportation from the island to
12 the mainland point of pickup at the resident's own expense; transportation costs from the
13 mainland point of pickup to the school must be provided, as is customarily done, by the
14 school administrative district.

15 **Sec. 2. P&SL 1997, c. 41, Pt. A, §9,** as enacted by P&SL 2001, c. 8, §2, is
16 repealed.

17 **SUMMARY**

18 This bill repeals the prohibition against the withdrawal of the Town of Frye Island
19 from School Administrative District No. 6, which then allows the Town of Frye Island
20 the same statutory municipal power of any other municipality in Maine, as long as the
21 Town of Frye Island joins another school administrative unit within 2 years of the
22 withdrawal.